Dues to be Received by the Land and Development Office, New Delhi

1170. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the parties from whom the Land and Development Office, New Delhi has to receive Rs. one lakh or more;

(b) since when the sum is due in each case and the amount of interest that has accrued against each party so far;

(c) the reasons due to which these dues have accumulated;

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken for an early recovery of these dues; and

(e) whether any rebates/concessions or writing-off of any amounts in case of some parties have been made and if so, when and to whom?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Supply of Rice and Wheat Through PDS From Operational Buffer Stock

1171. SHRI KAILASH FATI MISHRA. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Public Distribution System takes nearly eight lakh tonnes of rice and six lakh tonnes of wheat every month from the operational buffer stock and this supply of both the commodities was recently reduced by nearly 80,000 tonnes per month as reported in the Hindustan Times, dated 18th January, 1989; and

(b) when less ration would be supplied to the States from the Public Distribution System how will the people below poverty line and weaker sections of the society procure their deficit in ration and from where and at what prices?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) The allocations of foodgrains (Rice and Wheat) are made to the various States/UTs. on a month to month basis taking into account the stock position in the Central Pool, market availability, past offtake trend and other related factors. The following quantities of foodgrains were allocated under PDS during the last six months:—

(In '000 tonnes)

Month	Rice	Wheat
September'88	745.30	703.50
October'88	798.80	688.63
November'88	786.30	692.45
Deccmber88	776.30	692.44
January '89	850.30	694.19
Fabruary'89	644.22	697.99

(b) The allocation of foodgrains for PDS from the Central Pool is only supplemental in natwe. In view of the excellent agricultural production in the country